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Ms. Pia F. Tibbits, Examiner  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
Re: Application # 10/657,263

Dear Ms. Tibbits,

Per our conversation on December 6, 2005, in addition to the amendments I filed with your office on August 4, 2005 addressing the objections to my patent application # 10/657,263, I wish to resolve the remaining objections to my application at this time. In response to the rejection of Claims 1-3 being unpatentable over Small et al. (6326767) (hereinafter Small):

My invention differs from Small's in that once the capacitors in my invention have obtained a charge from an external power source, it can be disconnected from the external power source and continues to recharge the battery. Small's invention must remain connected to an external power source throughout the entire charging cycle in order to recharge the battery. Furthermore, the capacitors in Small's invention function to regulate the charging of the battery from an external power source – whereas the capacitors in my invention charge the battery while being disconnected from an external power source.

Also, please find enclosed the corrected drawing sheet. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. David F. Scamard